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ENGAGED IN A DEATH-STRUGGLE

Greeks and Turks Fighting Fiercely—
Turkish Posts Destroyed by
Dynamite.

Reported That the Turks Have Lost
Three Stations and Are Now
in Retreat.

Greeks Reinforced With Artillery—
Bitterly Cold Weather in Macedonian Mountains.

Headquarters of the Greek army in Thessaly, Larissa, April 17.—Details of the fighting between the Greeks and Turks at Nezeros, just within the Greek frontier line, Thessaly, due south of Mount Olympus, have been received here. The fighting originated, according to Greek reports, in an attempt upon the part of the Turkish forces to occupy an abandoned post of the Greeks. These movements were opposed by the Greek forces, whereupon the Turks opened fire and a sharp engagement, lasting four hours, ensued. The Greeks eventually retreated. The losses are not known. The engagement occurred yesterday.

At 5 o'clock this morning heavy firing between the Turks and Greeks near Nezeros was resumed. The Greeks in the meanwhile have been reinforced by artillery, which was brought into play upon the Turkish post at Kotroni. The latter was eventually destroyed with dynamite.

It is reported, as this dispatch is sent, that the Greeks have occupied three Turkish stations and that the Turks are retreating.

Crown Prince Constantine, the Greek commander-in-chief, and Gen. Macris were up all night dispatching orders to the front.

As this dispatch is being sent over the wire the correspondent of the Associated Press hears that the engagement extended to Greek posts to the left of Nezeros, but, according to an official statement made to the correspondent, the firing has ceased. A correspondent of the Associated Press was yesterday enabled to ride up to Maloussa Pass and inspect the valley, northeast of which is Ellassona, where the Turkish headquarters are situated. To all appearance the valley is almost denuded of troops. The correspondent saw only three squadrons of cavalry, three batteries of field artillery and a few battalions of infantry.

There is no semblance of a big camp, whereas three weeks ago, according to observations on the frontier and the re-

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ports of correspondents with the Turkish army, there were some 5,000 troops in position at Ellassona. The indications are that either the Turkish troops have been withdrawn behind the ridge surrounding Ellassona for concealment, or been moved westward to some other point on the frontier in imitation of a similar movement on the part of the Greek army. No further news has been received from Macedonia regarding the movement of the Greek irregulars. The weather is still bitterly cold in the mountains.

Athens, April 17.—Fighting is reported to have recommenced near Nezeros between the Greeks and Turks. No further details have been received here.

Athens, April 17.—A dispatch just received from the Greek headquarters at Larissa confirms the report of an engagement said to have taken place near Nezeros, in Thessaly, between the Greek and Turkish forces. It is further stated that the Turks were the aggressors, having attacked the Greek advance posts. A Greek corporal was killed and a Greek sub-lieutenant wounded. It is understood that the forces engaged belonged to the regular armies of the two countries, although this is not positively stated in the dispatch.

Saloica, April 17.—A battalion of Albanians stationed at Usak, in readiness to start for the Greek frontier, have been suddenly sent in haste to Verana, on the Montenegro frontier, and another battalion, now in course of formation, will follow as soon as possible. This unexpected movement of the Turkish troops towards the Montenegro frontier has given rise to the report that serious danger is apprehended in that direction.

Headquarters of the Turkish army, Macedonia, Ellassona, April 17.—(S. a. m.)—News has reached here that a Greek band attacked the Turkish troops at Karys, northwest of Nezeros. A Turkish officer and two men were wounded. As the "intelligence" forwarded continues, and a council of war is sitting here under the presidency of Elbeh Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief.

THE OVERDUE SAMARIA

Believed to Have Gone Down With All Hands on Board.

San Francisco, April 15.—The impression that the American ship Samaria, from Seattle for San Francisco, laden, has gone to the bottom grows stronger day by day, as no tidings come from the overdue vessel. The Alcade, which left Seattle simultaneously with the Samaria, arrived in this port on April 2. The Alcade's master says that on March 25, he got in a terrible southeast gale and after being in company with the Samaria four days the vessels unintentionally separated. The Alcade took in her sail, but the Samaria did not reef her canvas. The Samaria was taken so deep in the water that the seas broke over her, and she weltered badly in the trough of the sea. The Alcade had hard work saving herself, and only escaped from the fury of the storm by throwing out oil bags, which moderated the force of the sea immediately about her. On the following day the wind was shifting about, but there was no sign of the Samaria. Much wreckage was drifting, and the Alcade's officers saw a set of ship's steps and a corpse tangled in a mass of ropes which drifted astern. The Alcade's captain is confident that the Samaria and all her crew are at the bottom of the sea.

Seattle, April 16.—Every arrival of a vessel from San Francisco is watched for now with eager interest by those interested in the fate of the coal ship Samaria. The arrival of the Willamette this morning added nothing to what is already known regarding the overdue ship. The collier had a smooth sea all the way up, not unlike a mill pond, and, as she came up close along shore, was not in the course most likely to be strewn with any wreckage of a lost vessel.

It is the firm belief among some of the shipping men longest on the water front that the Samaria has gone down. Captain McCrea is well known by some of the shipping men and "Big" Williams, the mate, as he is known on the front, was shipped by Captain Garrison the day before the ship sailed. Men acquainted with the waters off the coast think it is scarcely possible that the Samaria may have been driven off shore to an extent that it is taking her all this time to get back. Coming up the coast might be looked upon as a possibility. The opinion has settled into a conviction that if she turns up it will be found that she has had serious trouble.

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BUSINESS IS INCREASING

Total Trade for Canada for 1897 Ten Millions Better Than That of Last Year.

Reported That the C. P. R. and Government Have Come to Terms re Crow's Nest R. R.

Two More Indian Agents Dismissed—
Formation of Canadian United Service Club.

Ottawa, April 17.—The Canada Gazette to-day contains the trade returns for March. An increase of \$4,000,000 will be shown as compared with March of last year. Exports for the last month were \$4,453,000, and imports \$11,810,000, making a total trade of \$16,263,000, with duty collected of \$2,458,000, as compared with a total trade of \$14,255,000 with duty of \$1,900,000 for March, 1896. There was an increase of nearly two million dollars' worth of sugar last month as compared with March, 1896. For the nine months ending March 31st, trade was as follows: Exports, \$90,192,000; imports, \$85,080,000; duty, \$15,160,000. For the same nine months in 1896 the figures were: Exports, \$92,000,000; imports, \$83,831,000; duty, \$15,463,000. The total trade for 1896 is \$184,724,000, against \$175,853,000 in 1896, nearly ten millions better for the present year.

A trail with over six hundred Chinamen, through here yesterday to the United States from the Pacific coast. Seven left the train at Montreal and nine went to Quebec. The remainder are going through the States to Cuba.

It is reported here to-day that the Canadian Pacific has accepted the proposition of the government for building the Crow's Nest Pass railway.

Freeman McDormand has been dismissed from the position of Indian agent for the county of D'Arcy, N.S., on account of political partisanship, and Rev. J. J. Sullivan has been appointed in his stead.

F. J. Williams, who held the position of Indian agent at Battleford, has been removed on account of negligence, which has resulted in a serious loss through the death of upwards of one hundred and fifty head of stock. Chas. M. Dorman succeeds Mr. Williams.

A Canadian United Service Club for the Canadian military, the same as exists in England, has been formed here to-day, and takes the place of the V.R.I. Club. Lieut.-Col. Irwin is president. The V.R.I. Club closed its existence with a banquet at the Rideau Club last night, Cartwright being present.

G. E. Gorrell, a mail clerk, who ran between Brockville and Ottawa, dropped dead last night. The remains were taken to Brockville. Gorrell was about 50 years of age.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Rush at the Montreal Custom House—C. W. A. Convention.

Montreal, April 15.—There was a rush at the custom house and internal revenue offices to-day to clear goods, on information from Ottawa as to the new tariff duties, which are to be announced next Thursday. It was stated that the duties on woolen fabrics, which are at present 5 cents per pound and 25 per cent. ad valorem, will be materially changed, the specific charge being abolished and the ad valorem duty reduced. A reduction of 5 per cent. will be made all around on cottons. On tobacco of all kinds, liquors and drugs, the tariff will be increased.

Winnipeg, April 16.—An Emerson dispatch to-night says the Red river is still rising, people have had to leave their homes and great destruction to property is being caused. Some buildings are submerged to the second floors. There is over three feet of water in the stores on Main street and all communication with the country is cut off.

Ottawa, April 15.—A proclamation is to be issued on Saturday or Monday setting apart Tuesday, June 22, for the Dominion celebration of the Queen's jubilee.

The government definitely decided to-day to send a contingent of mounted police to England to take part in the Queen's jubilee.

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REDUCED MAJORITY

Government Deserted by Supporters on Second Reading of Railway Aid Bill.

Mr. Turner Tries to Change Opposition Through Agency of Misleading Telegrams.

Some Strong Speeches Delivered in Favor of State Ownership of Railways.

Thursday, April 15, 1897.
The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock; prayers by Rev. J. F. Betts.

REPORTS.
Hon. Mr. Ebers presented the annual report of the registration of births, deaths and marriages.

Mr. Booth presented a report from the private bills committee to the effect that the preamble had been passed in the case of the South Kootenay Power Company's bill. The report was received.

LOAN RAILWAY AID BILL.
Mr. Sward, rising to a question of privilege, said that he had been misinterpreted in the Colonist. He had not said that he would be forced to consult his constituents before voting for the aid to the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern Railway. What he had stated was that he was in accord with his constituents on the British Pacific at the last election and he would have to consult his constituents before voting for a bill to aid the British Pacific.

MR. WILLIAMS.
Mr. Williams said the bill could very properly have been called the Honorable Mr. Booth's bill. Mr. Rithet had been pleased to lecture other members on their selfish views, but he (Mr. Rithet) had shown himself to be very selfish in this matter and very narrow in his ideas. At a public meeting in Victoria Mr. Rithet had stated that he would refuse to vote for the road to Kootenay unless Victoria was made the terminus. Mr. Rithet's remarks regarding the doubts of knowledge of the route between Hope and Penticton would apply to the road from Hope to Penticton as well as well known as the route from Hope to Penticton.

Mr. Rithet—it is nothing of the kind. Mr. Williams—the road from coast to Kootenay was a very desirable one. The citizens of Vancouver, Victoria and Fraser river district have given expression to their opinion in favor of this road. He was not prepared to go as far as Mr. Forster and say all roads should be built by governments, but when the local house was to grant a subsidy and the Dominion house a subsidy, the government should undertake the construction of the road and not the people. It is sure to be derived from the operation of the road. He would have voted for the second reading of the bill, hoping to change it in committee, were it not for the fact that there was embodied in the bill aid for the British Pacific.

MR. BOOTH.
Mr. Booth said it would be a good bargain to get a road into Cariboo for \$1,000,000. The land in the grant given to the British Pacific was not worth anything. Mr. Booth opposed the construction of any road by the government, as they could not compete with the C.P.R.

DR. WALKER.
Dr. Walker said there were more things to consider than the money grant. He believed with regard to two of these roads at least that there would be no harm in voting for the bill, as they would never be built. With the subsidy to be granted to the road from Penticton and Boundary this road will likely be built, and when this is done the necessity for the road from the coast to Kootenay will be removed. He would vote for the bill, although he might err in doing so, and in the future may regret the course. He was opposed to the road from the coast to Kootenay. The citizens of Nanaimo had not expressed themselves in favor of this road. He regretted there was no sum in the bill for a railway from Nanaimo to Alberni. If satisfactory arrangements could be made with the E. & N. Railway, there would be an unprecedented rush to Alberni. Kootenay wouldn't be in it. The best way of securing ferry with the Mainland was between Vancouver and Nanaimo. He hoped to see such changes in committee as would make the bill a more perfect one and would better conserve the interests of the province.

COL. BAKER.
Hon. Col. Baker said that a great deal could be said in favor of state ownership of railways under certain conditions, but such railways had, when run on the best of business principles, rarely paid expenses. It was the duty of the government to stand firm even if compelled to withstand popular opinion and not to do anything that would be detrimental to the province. If a railway company gets \$4,000 per mile from the province and \$5,000 per mile from the Dominion, the company would have little difficulty in getting the rest of the money to build the road. The policy of the government was a statesmanlike one and would give the province railways at the cheapest possible price. The federal premier had said his government would not undertake state ownership of railways and was therefore opposed to the policy of the opposition. If the Dominion government did not give the railways double the appropriation granted by the provincial government, the responsibility would rest on the opposition, who opposed the bill. (Laughter.)

MAJOR MUTTER.
Major Mutter opposed state ownership of railways and said the climatic and physical conditions here were different from those in Australia. The policy of government ownership of railways was first mooted in his own district of Cowichan-Alberni. Major Mutter was opposed to giving Mr. Heinze the land grant and \$4,000 per mile. (Hear, hear.) If it is possible for the government to own the roads and build them he would

warmly support that plan, but he was going to wait and in the meantime he would support the bill. (Laughter.)

MR. KENNEDY.
Mr. Kennedy was in favor of government ownership of the railways, but if this couldn't be carried out he believed that railways would be built where they would be the most good. Mr. Rithet would call the opposition obstructionists because they opposed the British Pacific. He quoted from reports to show the road from Bute to Quenelle would cost \$7,500,000. How the money can be secured to build this road that will not pay for axle grease passed his comprehension. He was told that Mr. Rithet and his friends had grabbed all the land near Bute Inlet.

Mr. Rithet—I emphatically deny having any interest in an inch of land at Bute Inlet.
Mr. Kennedy accepted the denial. He did not believe the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier had ever used the expression credited to him by Col. Baker. He would vote against the bill because of the British Pacific subsidy.

MR. GRAHAM.
Mr. Graham said there was no district which could be more affected by the bill than his own. He told of the arrangements made with Mr. Heinze. The bill brought down inside the position a most peculiar one. The government gives a bonus of \$4,000 a mile on condition that a road is built within two years from Penticton to Grand Forks when Mr. Heinze has put up a bond of \$50,000 that he will construct the road within 18 months, or in six months less time than the government make a condition of giving a subsidy of \$4,000 a mile. (Hear, hear.) Much had been said about local jealousies, but Mr. Graham read resolutions from his district which were to the effect that while the people recognized the necessity for a railway, they did not believe that the province should be sacrificed to secure the same. The government will never have such an excellent opportunity of making a government railway a paying one. Mr. Graham strongly advocated the construction of the road to Kootenay as a government undertaking and just as strongly opposed the British Pacific scheme.

MR. POOLEY.
Hon. Mr. Pooley opposed government construction of railways and said that if the government were to undertake the construction of the lines mentioned in the bill it would have to borrow over \$10,000,000 to do so.

MR. ROGERS.
Mr. Rogers would support the second reading and resented Mr. Kennedy's assertion that the British Pacific was going to run from nowhere to nowhere.

MR. MACPHERSON.
Mr. Macpherson strongly opposed the bill. He took Mr. Booth to task for his position on this subject. He characterized him (Booth) as a spineless and weak-kneed individual who could utter independent words, but was always found rotting for the government against principle and right. Mr. Macpherson showed the advantages of government ownership of railways. The present government had already decided away to private companies over 30,000,000 acres of land, and in addition to this the government wanted to give companies cash subsidies of \$4,000. It would be supposed that roads receiving such assistance would give cheap rates, but this was not the case.

Every other colony under the crown excepting Canada had the stamina to build their own railways and these railways were paying concerns. He went into figures to show that those government roads gave cheaper rates than roads in this country and still pay a profit. This province should emulate the example set by the other colonies and take a bold stand to rid the people of the incubus of private railways.

Mr. Macpherson then referred to the following telegram, a copy of which the premier had sent to the Mainland cities: "Opposition members opposing bill providing subsidy coast to Penticton. There is no British Pacific in this. They require \$240,000 annually; this is only about \$80,000. Opposition action will tend to prevent Dominion subsidy. Instruct members before 3 o'clock Thursday."

This telegram was worded to mislead those to whom it was sent. The British Pacific was mentioned in the bill and the opposition were not opposing the aid to the Coast-Kootenay road. The sending of the telegram was not the conduct of an honorable man, for an honorable man would be above such a mean, contemptible trick.

The Speaker—You may think that or say it outside, but the language is unparliamentary.
Mr. Macpherson—If the language is unparliamentary I will withdraw it, but it is not strong enough to characterize the premier's conduct.

Mr. Macpherson pointed out that the C.P.R., having secured the B. C. Southern charter, was in a position to build the line from Kootenay to the coast and the province might be bonusing the C.P.R. to build another line through the province. They might be giving the C.P.R. to give the people under another monopoly. He would have been ready to assist the government in a vigorous railway policy, but he could not support the second reading of such a bill. (Applause.)

Hon. Mr. Turner said that it was his duty to send such a telegram, as he had promised to inform the Mainland delegates who had interviewed the government as to what changes would be made in the bill. He had received some answers to the telegrams, among them being the following from Nanaimo: "Following resolution was passed at this afternoon at meeting of citizens: 'That this meeting request Mr. Kennedy to support the amended railway aid bill as brought down by the premier, only objecting to car ferry stipulation until car ferry is warranted by business and asking change of words "English Bluff" to "English Bluff or navigable harbor in vicinity." I have also had one from Chilliwack as follows: "Chilliwack strongly favors government subsidy for direct line Vancouver and Coast to Penticton to connect with lines to Kootenay. Markets must be secured. (Signed) S. A. Cawley and twenty-three others."

Mr. Sward said that as Chilliwack was unrepresented in the house, and as he had lived in the district for some time, he took the liberty to say that the telegram read by the premier did not represent the views of the people of Chilliwack. The premier had attempted to mislead the people. The telegram from Chilliwack was signed by the defeated government candidate.

Mr. Turner—And twenty-three others. Mr. Sward—But these do not represent all the people of Chilliwack. Mr. Kennedy said the premier had deliberately attempted to deceive the people of the Mainland by sending a telegram saying there was no British Pacific in the bill. Notwithstanding the telegram from New Westminster he would vote against the second reading. (Applause.)

The Speaker then called 6 o'clock.

MR. EBERS.
Hon. Mr. Ebers said if the aid suggested in the bill was taken advantage of by railways, it would result advantageously to the province. The style of granting aid had often agitated and perplexed the legislature as to what was best for the province. He referred to aid granted to the E. & N. Shuswap & Okanagan and other railways. Indirectly the bargain with the S. & O. Railway Company was a good one. The province had lost nothing by its assistance to the Salusgam. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Cotton's contention that the road to Cariboo should be built by the C.P.R. The line from Bute Inlet would have the advantage of all the competitive lines to the coast, as transportation from the termini of those lines to Bute Inlet by water would be very cheap indeed. The government were alive to the fact that the Boundary Creek district might be opened up by railway at once in order to preserve that growing trade for the people of the province. The opposition would not come before the country with a policy of government ownership of railways. The government of the province of Ontario never took up the state ownership of railways.

MR. HELMCKEN.
Mr. Helmcken said a great deal of praise was due the members of the opposition for the way they put the case before the house. Particularly was that praise due Mr. Cotton for his brilliant speech. He went into the early history of British Columbia and showed that even 1861 the question of a railway from the coast to Cariboo was then mooted. The premier was entitled to consideration that he had at last the courage to bring in such a measure as he did. If the government had introduced such a measure before this country would be in a better position than it is to-day. There was a great deal of force in the policy of the opposition, but it was better to see that the best use was made of the funds placed at the disposal of the government. There might be a decided objection to giving aid to certain parties for a road from Penticton to Grand Forks, and the views of the opposition on this point should be carefully considered by the government. The interests of the people should not be over-

looked. He was in favor of the government making such arrangements with any company receiving aid as would allow the government to purchase railways at reasonable terms. All should join hands and unite in endeavoring to make the measure before the house as perfect as possible.

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The Daily Times.

A BROKEN PLEDGE.

The commissioner of lands and works does not lie on a bed of roses at present, although it is a bed of his own making. Just previous to his last election Mr. Martin gave a promise—none the less solemn and binding because it was a verbal one—that he would oppose any subsidy to the proposed line of railway from Victoria via Bute Inlet to Cariboo and known as the British Pacific. There were present at the meeting at which this promise was given Messrs. Marpole, Mara, Macintosh and Martin, representing the government, and Messrs. Smith and Sward, representing the opposition. The pledge was given by Mr. Martin to avoid a contest, and in consequence of that promise he was not opposed. It was a piece of political diplomacy of a not very high order, and its ultimate failure in consequence of the party of the first part refusing to be bound by the solemn pledge given in Mr. Mara's house at Kamloops, will probably be viewed by Mr. Turner and his friends as the cleverest piece of work that the commissioner has yet placed to his credit. Mr. Martin, apparently, got "the best" of the opposition leaders, but at a terrible cost. He won, for the present at least, by being untrue to his pledge, which is considered among honest men, if not among British Columbia cabinet ministers, as unpardonable sin.

AT MONDAY'S MEETING.

The railway bill will be considered by committee of the house on Monday. When it is probable the erratic "policy" will be subjected to further emendations at the hands of the government, who are not quite certain that they have yet struck the popular chord. Mr. Smith, of Lillooet, has given notice of an amendment to change the grant from the Bute-Queensline line to a line from Ashcroft to Quesnelle, which, if carried, will be the death-blow of the emulated British Pacific line. Mr. Heineken, influenced by the arguments of the opposition, will propose an additional clause giving the government power to purchase the railways aided. An interesting discussion is anticipated, and it is not unlikely that the patched-up policy will be so amended that even the premier may feel inclined to disown his offspring. Public opinion, as expressed at public meetings is, fortunately, a potent influence in shaping, transforming and reversing the "policy" of the government, evidence of which was supplied by the abandonment of the cities commissioners bill a few years ago, and, in the present case, by the radical change of front in respect to the Coast-Kootenay line. A crowd in the galleries, or a hot opposition meeting at the city hall, are powerful influences when a weak and unstable hand is guiding the destinies of the province.

THEY ARE "IN ON IT."

The attorney-general's denial of the charge that his firm was counsel for the Columbia & Western—a beneficiary of the province—is accepted as satisfactory by his friends. Mr. Eberts' partner had acted for the Union Trust Company in filing the mortgage given by the Columbia & Western, and had acted as counsel for Mr. Heineken's smelting company in several trifling actions, but that was the extent of the attorney-general's offending. As he will probably be more careful in the future, very little need be said against the attorney-general for what does not appear to have been more than an indiscretion. Mr. Pooley did not deny anything. He is the paid counsel of the E. & N. railway, while Col. Baker's wriggling only fastened the charge of charter-mongering more strongly upon him. Mr. Forster made good his point, which was that members of the government being personally interested in the success of private railway schemes would consequently be opposed to the policy of government control or ownership of railways.

THE MARKET BUILDING.

The market building has not fulfilled the expectations of its promoters. It has been, as a matter of fact, a dismal failure in so far as its raison d'être was to bring together buyer and seller of farm and garden products. The cost to the city has been out of all proportion to the resultant advantages. Neither the farmer, the gardener nor the citizen has derived any benefit from the expenditure, and the large structure, on Cormorant street remains a silent but impressive witness of the credulity of the taxpayer—a receptacle for anything and everything save those things for which its commodious and well-appointed rooms were designed.

A movement, originating with the District Fruitgrowers' Association, is on foot to reclaim the market building from its unfortunate fate of general storehouse for odds and ends, and to make it the meeting place, as it was intended to be, of buyers and sellers of farm products of all kinds. To this end the council have been asked to prohibit peddling before 11 a.m. each day, or failing this one or more days in the week, to get aside as market days, when peddling would be entirely suspended. The producers will undertake to supply the market with farm products and fruits of all kind in season during the season that peddling is prohibited. This is the proposition, and as it emanates from the farmers of the district, who alone can

make it a success, we think an earnest attempt ought to be made to give it effect. One of the difficulties of housekeeping in Victoria is the uncertain supply, by white gardeners, of vegetables of any kind. Chinese peddlers are numerous enough to vex the soul of every housekeeper, but in hundreds of the best homes of the city the "forced" wares of these industrious merchants are not used. Those families are, therefore, compelled to do their own marketing, and frequently have to do without luxuries in the vegetable line because of the irregularity of the supply by white peddlers. Every lady in the city has experienced the petty annoyances and worries incident to an inadequate and uncertain service and will welcome any change that offers release from her present dependence upon the unspeakable John, who lives practically driven to the white peddler from the city.

We trust the council will give the matter careful consideration and assist the experiment suggested by the farmers. Success, however, will largely rest with the producers, who must place themselves in a position to supply the wants of our housekeepers both in respect to quality and price. If they are prepared to do this they ought to be given the chance.

MR. TURNER'S TELEGRAM.

Since the telegrams sent by the premier to the different Mainland centres had not the desired influence upon the vote on the second reading of the Railway Aid bill, there is probably no one who will regret that those telegrams were sent more than Mr. Turner. It was such a contemptible trick for the premier of the province, that if he has any respect for the dignity of the office he holds he must be heartily ashamed of his conduct. If Mr. Turner were not sheltered by the privileges of the house he would be a fit subject for the punishment which he considered should be administered to the editor of the Rossland Mining Review. The latter gentleman's only crime is to call the government thieves and robbers, but Mr. Turner is guilty of deliberately attempting to influence the vote in the house through the agency of a misleading telegram. His telegram was couched in such language that it would have a tendency to influence the electors of the Mainland in bringing pressure to bear upon the members to vote for a measure which they honestly believed was not in the interests of the province.

The premier's conduct, while characteristic of Mr. Turner, brings his important office into contempt. When the premier of British Columbia has to resort to the trick of a political mountebank in order to carry out the measures of his government, the sooner he is forced to step down and out the better it will be for the province. Even the constituency, which was left unrepresented by the death of a member who was always strong in his denunciation of such conduct as the premier's, was in Mr. Turner's opinion, not to be left unrepresented. Mr. Cawley, the defeated government candidate in Chilliwack, succeeded in getting twenty-three residents of the district to act as his suggested. When the electors of Chilliwack discover that the premier was deliberately attempting to mislead them, they will feel grateful to Mr. Sward for his many words in their behalf.

There is another side to this telegram which is not at all flattering to Mr. Ritchie or the citizens of Victoria. The telegram reads as follows:

"Opposition members opposing bill providing subsidy coast to Penticton. There is no British Pacific in this. They required \$240,000; this is only about \$80,000. Opposition action will tend to prevent Dominion subsidy. Instruct members before 3 o'clock Thursday."

If there is no British Pacific in the bill, Mr. Turner has deliberately broken the promises made to the electors of Victoria during the last provincial campaign, and he has turned traitor to Mr. Ritchie, the political Atlas, who carried a discredited government into power. Mr. Ritchie in justice to himself should demand a public explanation of the premier's telegram. He was given a seat in parliament by the electors of Victoria solely because he was interested in and a strong advocate of the British Pacific railway. Now Mr. Ritchie is found assisting Mr. Turner to pass a bill in which there is no British Pacific. If there is no British Pacific in the bill then Messrs. Turner and Ritchie stand convicted of breaking their promise to the electors which returned them to power. If the British Pacific is in the bill then the premier is guilty of deliberately attempting to mislead the people of the Mainland. Looking at the telegram from any point of view, it must be characterized as a most contemptible piece of political sharp practice.

Mr. Smith, one of the members for Lillooet, who refused to vote for the railway aid bill because the British Pacific was in it, has given notice of an amendment to transfer the aid for a road from Bute Inlet to Quesnelle to a road from Ashcroft to Quesnelle. This amendment furnishes the premier with a splendid opportunity of substantiating the truthfulness of his telegram. If he votes for Mr. Smith's amendment the Mainland people will be fully convinced that there is no British Pacific in the bill. Since there is no British Pacific in the bill, the people of Victoria will be indifferent as to whether Mr. Smith's amendment is carried or defeated.

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PASSOVER FESTIVAL

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Home.

Last evening witnessed in the Passover festival of the Hebrews, and in all countries and in every clime the scattered remnants of Israel duly commemorated their ancestors' deliverance from the cruel yoke of the Egyptians. The handful of adherents of the Hebrew faith resident in this city were no exception, and duly repaired to their synagogues last evening for the observance of the Passover festival.

The feast of Passover begins according to the Jewish calendar on the fourteenth day of the month of Nissan. "And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this self-same day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt; therefore shall ye observe this day in your generation by an ordinance forever. This divine command the Jews have faithfully kept. After the evening service the head of every Jewish family searches his every place and apartment in the house where leavened bread is generally kept, for every crumb of leavened bread must be destroyed. During the festival, instead of the customary baker's loaf, thin disks of unleavened bread are used. The unleavened bread, called matzo, is imported for local purposes from San Francisco. These matzos are symbolic of the unleavened dough which the Israelites carried on their backs in their hasty flight from Egypt. The Passover festival is essentially domestic in its nature, the service at the synagogue being a mere preliminary to the domestic observance. The domestic ritual is performed usually at a long narrow table on which are placed various symbolic dishes, such as almonds, spices and apples ingeniously typifying mortar and bricks; bitter herbs are symbolic of the bitterness with which the Egyptians were afflicted and the sorrows of the Israelites; cups of raisin wine suggestive of the redemption of the Israelites from Egypt. The domestic ritual is conducted by the head of the family and is called "Seder."

This service is an ancient time-honored one, and is a beautiful and impressive one. It consists of a recitation of the marvelous escape of the Israelites from their taskmasters, and of the thanksgiving for the many mercies extended to the chosen people by Jehovah. The service at the synagogue is conducted in Hebrew, indeed it would be difficult to translate into English the pictures and metaphors and allegories with which the readings of the law and the scriptures are interspersed. In the morning service of the first day the psalms of David are read through the service are various passages showing that the Jews are looking to a return to the Holy Land. For instance, "With abundant love hast thou loved us, O Lord, our God, and with exulting great-mercy hast thou compassion over us. O our Father and our King, for the sake of our ancestors who trusted in Thee, to whom Thou didst teach the statutes of life, Thou also be gracious unto us, and teach us, we beseech Thee. Therefore bring us back in peace from the four corners of the earth, and lead us securely to our land, for Thou art the Omnipotent, who worketh salvation, and hast made choice of us in preference to every people and language, and Thou hast in truth brought us near unto Thee and acknowledged us as Thy people. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, who with love hath chosen his people Israel."

As the Passover is a spring festival there is a most beautiful portion of the service dedicated to dew, beginning thus: "With permission of the Omnipotent, will I speak in parables. In this prayer will I speak of dew in the midst of this people that they may rejoice. The dew reviveth both the earth and the herbage; they rejoice and are renewed in its shadow; may the sign of the dew of his youth shield his posterity. The great abyss of the earth doeth its drops, and every green pasture longeth for it. With the dew will he reanimate those who sleep in the grave. O grant, O grant, acquiescence to the blooming fruits of the earth, and cause the dew to multiply the bloom of the plants; O visit the parched places and shield them from drought; with favorable dew bless the fruit. This service in allegory is of most elevated spiritual elevation. In the morning service there is also a prayer for the Queen and royal family ending with, "In her days and in our days may Judah be saved and Jerusalem dwell in safety, and may the Redeemer come unto us."

The feast of Passover is not without its significance to Christians. The deliverance of the Israelites from Egyptian tyranny brought the triumph of monotheism over idolatry, and in Jewish monotheism is to be found the seed of Christian ethics and religion. In Zangwill's "Children of the Ghetto" there is a splendid description of Passover night, beginning with these lines: "In modern prose all poetry seems drowned. Yet in ten thousand homes this April night, An ancient people celebrates its birth. To freedom with a reverential mirth. With customs quaint and many a hoary rite."

Waiting until its tarphered glories bright, Its God shall be the God of all the earth."

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PERSONAL.

E. C. Davison, of Kamloops, is at the Oriental.

Thos. E. Ladner, of Ladner's Landing, is at the Diarrid.

D. Oppenheimer, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Diarrid.

Capt. Carter, wife and sister, of Vancouver, are at the Oriental.

J. F. Neelds and J. B. Gilmore, of Vancouver, are guests at the Oriental.

Dr. W. J. Quinlan returned this morning from a visit to the Kootenay country.

Mrs. W. Denny and Miss Nellie Denny are spending the holidays in Port Townsend.

Right Rev. Bishop Cridge is visiting Vancouver and New Westminster to administer confirmation.

W. W. Robertson, of the U. S. Army, Mrs. Robertson and Miss Robertson, of Seattle

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—Ideal bicycles, with G. & J. tires,
\$50, at Weller Bros.—Messrs. Turner, Beaton & Co. yes-
terday shipped to Port Townsend, for
transshipment to the Yukon, a full car
load of liquor.—Twenty-four packages crockery,
glass, china and hardware ex Dunboyne
and Waterloo just opened and for sale
cheap at R. A. Brown & Co's, 50
Douglas street.—Rathbone Sisters, Behnen Temple
No. 3, will hold their Easter social on
Wednesday night in Castle hall. Mem-
bers of the brother lodges are requested
to attend.—The funeral of the late Ralph
Chambers, who died at Roseland on the
10th inst., will take place to-morrow
afternoon from the residence of Mrs.
Courtney, 108 Cook street.—"Pretty good" dinners are best left
alone. Lawrence's "best dinner" are
"best" because the food served is
wholesome, appetizing and tempting.
Lawrence, 77 Government street.—There was a very slim attendance
at the public meeting called for Thurs-
day evening to consider the question of
celebrating Her Majesty's diamond ju-
bilee. Several decided to celebrate on
June 21st and 22nd, nothing was done.—The E. & N. railway will run
morning and afternoon passen-
ger trains on Good Friday, Sat-
urday, Sunday and Ea at 1 Mon-
day. Round trip tickets for a
single fare; good from Friday to
Monday inclusive.—The 1st Gazette contains the ap-
pointment of Mr. C. Marshall as a com-
missioner for the Matsqui dyking dis-
trict and of the incorporation of the
city of Grand Forks.—The following passengers per steam-
er City of Puebla sailed yesterday from
San Francisco: H. V. Corley, B. H.
Griffin, Mr. Withrow, wife and child,
W. W. Gerow, Miss May Walton, G.
Parker, D. M. Corley, R. H. Corley,
Mrs. C. Smith, L. Dashwood, H. G.
Neelands and wife.—The special attractions for this
evening's promenade concert at the drill
hall are vocal solos by Mr. and Mrs.
Clement Rowlands and corset solos by
Mr. Walter North. Here is the pro-
gramme: March—"Silver Trumpets,"
Viviani; overture—"William Tell," Ro-
sini; solo for cornet—"Arbuckle's
Polka," Hartman, Bandman W. V.
North; vocal solo—"The Bedouin's Love
Song," Pinski, Mr. Clement Rowlands;
concert waltzes—"Venus Reigen, Gungl;
(a) Intermezzo—"Forget-Me-Not," Mac-
beth; (b) Characteristic piece—"Guard-
mount," Ellenberg; vocal duet—"Our
Cap of Bliss," Perry, Mr. and Mrs.
Rowlands; selection from "Robin
Hood," de Koven; "God Save the
Queen."—The new mining companies, notice
of the incorporation of which were given
in the last issue of the British Col-
umbia Gazette, follow: Amazon Gold
Mining & Milling Company, of Ros-
land, \$1,000,000; B. C. London & Koot-
enay Mining & Development Company,
Rossland, \$2,000,000; Chrysolite Gold
Mining & Development Company,
Waltburg, Wash., \$1,000,000; Cody-
Shoan Mining & Milling Company, San-
don, \$250,000; Dunlop Mining & In-
vestment Company, Rossland, \$1,000,000;
Fort Steele Mining Company, Spokane,
\$600,000; Frederick Arm Mining Com-
pany, Vancouver, \$500,000; Hastings,
B. C. Exploration Syndicate, England,
\$100,000; Gladstone Mining Company,
Spokane, \$1,000,000; Golden & Fort
Steele Development Company, Golden,
\$750,000; Good Hope Mining & Milling
Company, Rossland, \$1,000,000; Kaslo-
Montezuma Mining & Milling Company,
Seattle, \$1,250,000; Keystone Gold Min-
ing Company, Rossland, \$1,500,000;
Nelson Development & Improvement
Company, Nelson, \$1,000,000; Pacific
Mining & Construction Company, Tac-
oma, \$20,000; Pavo Consolidated
Mines, Rossland, \$150,000; Ruth-Ester
Gold Mining Co., Spokane, \$1,000,000;
Spratt Copper & Gold Company, Se-
attle, \$1,000,000; Standard Mining & De-
velopment Company, Rossland, \$1,000,
000; Surrey Mining & Prospecting Com-

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Horse Gold Mining Company, Spokane,
\$1,000,000.—If you appreciate a well made and
good fitting suit go to 101 Douglas St.—Spring stock of carpets now on
show at Weller Bros. The largest stock
west of Toronto.—Envelopes and writing papers. A
special consignment on sale. Johnston's,
Kirk Block.—Blue enameled, white enameled
and polished brass bedsteads at Weller
Bros.; just in.—The Rev. J. P. Hicks will address
the men's rally at the Y. M. C. A.
rooms to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.—The lecture in the A.O.U.W. build-
ing on Sunday evening will be about
Jerusalem. See advertisement on first
page.—Just received direct from Forgan &
Sons, of St. Andrews Scotland, a
splendid assortment of ladies' and gen-
tlemen's golf goods at Henry Short &
Sons, 72 Douglas street.—The joint meeting of the I. O. O. F.
lodges was not held last evening on ac-
count of the late arrival of the steamer
Chambers. The grand master will ad-
dress the members this evening.—The steamer Ties has been chartered
by the Natural History Society for a
dredging and traveling trip on Mon-
day. She will leave the C.P.N. wharf
at 10 a.m., returning at 5 p.m.—Two drunks, a bicycle rider who
rode on the sidewalk and a man for
picking flowers in Ross Bay cemetery,
were in the police court this morning.
Drunks, first offence, not fined; bicyclist,
\$5; flower picker, \$2.—Services were held in many of the
city churches yesterday. At Christ
Church cathedral Rev. Canon Beaud-
land referred to the tendency on the
part of a majority of the people to ac-
cept Good Friday as a holiday. He
spoke strongly against the sports ar-
ranged for the day.—A gentleman called at the Times of-
fice to-day and exhibited a water tap,
belonging to a city residence, from
which protruded a six-inch leech. This
incident would seem to show the desir-
ability of the new filter beds being uti-
lized at as early a date as possible.—Samuel Johnson was arrested yes-
terday on the information of a woman
resident of Chatham street, charged
with stealing \$6.40. The woman says
she gave Johnson the money to purchase
a money order, but instead of doing so
he appropriated the money to his own
use. The case came up in the police
court this morning and was adjourned
until Tuesday.—The Fifth Regiment Band will give
a complimentary concert at Beacon Hill
to-morrow afternoon, commencing at
1 o'clock. The programme is as follows:
Anthem—"Glory Be to God on High";
Mozart; overture—"Poet and Peasant";
Suppe; waltzes—"Farewell to Munich,"
Gungl; grand potpourri of "Comic Opera
Gems," arr. Moses; intermission of 10
minutes; selection from "The Martyrs,"
Donizetti; caprice—"First Heart
Throb," Ellenberg; grand selection
from "Lucia," Donizetti; march—"Bay
State Commandery," Burrell; "God
Save the Queen," J. M. Finn, band-
master.—Arthur Hawkins, known by the re-
sidents of Lake district as the "Col-
onel," was found dead in his cabin on
the Swan Lake hotel this morning. An
inquest will be held this evening at 6
at the provincial police station to de-
termine the cause of death. When
Hawkins came to Victoria some twenty-
five years ago he was "one of the
boys." He had the advantage of a
good education and for many years was
in receipt of a monthly remittance. Lat-
terly he has been living in the cabin
where he was found dead. Before com-
ing here he was a commissioned officer
in the British army.—The report which has been given
some prominence to the effect that the
large Northern Pacific Railway bridge
across Missouri river at Bismarck has
been carried away by recent floods has
been given a most emphatic denial by North-
western Pacific officials, who pronounce the
report as entirely false. The facts are
that the bridge was never in any danger
even at the highest water. The floating
ice covered the track on the approaches
to the bridge for a few days prior to
April 11, which, however, was easily
removed. The bridge was removed on April
11, since when trains have been cross-
ing as usual.—Gonzales Farm has again been the
scene of the most horrible butchery of
an innocent human animal, and the
perpetrator of the deed is yet at liberty
to continue his fiendish work. About a
week ago a thoroughbred mare belong-
ing to Mr. Pemberton was found dead
with its throat cut and body mutilated.
Yesterday morning Mr. J. D. Pemb-
erton, while walking to the golf links,
found a valuable two-year-old colt be-
longing to the estate strangled, dis-
embowelled and a large piece of flesh torn
from the hind quarter. The provincial
police were notified and Officers McKen-
na and Atkins spent yesterday on the
case, but without discovering any clue.
A special officer has been sworn in to
protect the farm stock from further mutilation.—On Monday evening at 8 o'clock a
sacred concert will be given in the First
Presbyterian church by the combined
choirs of that church and of the First
Congregational church, under the able
native leadership of Mr. J. G. Brown
and Rev. P. C. L. Harris. The pro-
gramme is as follows: "Praise God
from whom all blessings flow," carol,
"Have you heard the wondrous story?"
vocal solo, "Easter Day," P. C. L. Har-
ris; anthem, "Why seek ye the living
among the dead?" vocal duet; "High In
the Heavens," Messrs. Harris and
Brown; piano solo, Mr. G. J. Burnett;
vocal solo, "Selection from the Messiah,"
Miss Ada Stoddard; anthem, "Christ our
Passover," vocal solo, "The Holy City,"
J. G. Brown; carol, collection, "Beyond
the Stars Shines," vocal solo, "Hosanna,"
Miss Duffie; anthem, "On the First Day
of the Week," vocal solo, G. F. Watson;
anthem, "The Lord is risen indeed." A
collection will be taken up during the
evening for church purposes.—Lawn Mowers cheap for cash at R.
A. Brown & Co's, 50 Douglas street.Bicyclists, Drink
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Bros., agents.—Why carry old line life insurance
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cost in the safe, solid and reliable Mac-
cabe's of the World?—The following ladies and gentlemen
will take part in the popular concert at
the Y. M. C. A. this evening: Instru-
mentalists, Miss Ray and Miss King.
Messrs. Russell and Whiglesworth; vo-
calists, Miss Hackett and Mr. C. E.
Jones; recitations, Miss Irene Ure,
Messrs. Semple, Cook and Wilson.—H. B. Gilmour, provincial grand
master of the I. O. O. F., Thomas Niel-
ands, Vancouver, and A. Davidson, of
Kamloops, the latter two being also
prominent Odd Fellows, arrived from
the Mainland by the Chambers last even-
ing. Mr. Gilmour will pay an official
visit to the five lodges of this city this
evening, at a combined meet in the Odd
Fellows' hall.—Senator McInnes last week pre-
sented to the senate a petition asking for
the incorporation of the National Life
Assurance Company of Canada. The ap-
plicants are Messrs. H. S. Howland,
Elias Rogers, A. R. Stevenson, T. C.
Irving, W. Stone, John Pugsley and R.
H. Tomlinson, Toronto; and Dr. G. L.
Milne, Victoria, B. C.—The following is the programme to
be given by the Cadet Royal Templars
of Temperance on Tuesday evening
next: Piano solo, Mr. Giles; song,
"Marching on," Cadets; recitation, Myr-
tie Jones; piano solo, Ethel Wilson;
song, Eva White; dialogue—"Peanuts,"
four Cadets; recitation, B. Willmeroff;
violin solo, Fred Rogers; song, Lulu
McDonald; recitation, Paul Smith;
song, M. Jones and L. Henderson; re-
citation, Jennie Johnson; song, "I'm
Don't Tell," F. Rogers; piano solo, May
Neil; "God is Love," nine Cadets; song,
Lulu McDonald; song—"Coming, By
and Bye," Cadets; solo, mouth organ,
Dick Andrews; song—"By the Sea,"
four Cadets; song—"The Tea Party," M.
Jones and L. McDonald; recitation,
Bertha Bawby; droll by Cadets.—Word has just been received from
Sandton that at the first meeting of the
directors of the Kokanee Creek Mining
& Milling company, when the prospect-
ing and statements contained therein
were adopted by the company, their ex-
pert, who had been over the properties,
stated that the references to the show-
ings were not over-flattering for such
properties. The company then pooled
all stock, and as a further protection to
those furnishing the money to develop
the properties, they agreed to offer only
100,000 shares at less than ten cents.
Their expert estimates that \$20,000 will
enable them to ship ore from the Iron
Bound, which is an extension of the
now famous Molly Gibson. Mr. G. D.
Scott, 42 Fort street, has, through his
Sandton agents, secured the agency for
this company for this city, and has al-
ready secured numerous applications
for part of the first issue of 30,000
shares, which is being placed at three
cents per share. Considering the cap-
ital is only \$250,000, and a responsible
management, this stock will no doubt
be eagerly sought after.—Following is the resolution passed at
the last regular meeting of the Victoria
Trades and Labor Council: "Whereas
it has been repeatedly shown that Chi-
nese and Japanese immigration to this
province is detrimental to its best in-
terest and an evil to the cause of the
laboring classes. And whereas, the
members of the provincial government
have, by their recent action in the legis-
lature on the Alien Labor bill, placed
themselves on record as being in sym-
pathy with the importation of Chinese
and Japanese labor to this province to
take the place of white labor. There-
fore, be it resolved, that the Victoria
Trades and Labor Council strongly con-
demn the action taken by the govern-
ment and those members who supported
them in their opposition to the introduc-
tion of the anti-Chinese and Japanese
clauses in the Alien Labor bill, which
was recently before the legislature, as
showing that they are not the true
friends of the working men. Be it re-
solved, that a copy of this resolution be
forwarded Messrs. Hon. J. H. Turner,
premier; Hon. C. E. Power, Hon. Jas.
Baker, Hon. G. B. Martin, Hon. D. M.
Eberts, and to Messrs. R. P. Rother,
John Irving and John Braden, M.P.'s."—W. A. Dier, representing the whole-
sale, wooden house of M. Fisher, Sons
& Co., Montreal, returned last evening
from an extensive trip through Eastern
Canada. Mr. Dier has severed his
connection with the Montreal firm, with
whom he has been employed for, up-
wards of fifteen years, and will here-
after devote his energies to the further-
ance of the business interests of the
firm of Dier, Davidson & Russell. Mr.
Dier says that the people of the east
are thoroughly alive to the importance
of the mineral wealth of British Col-
umbia, and that they are coming west
in the hope of sharing in the wonderful
season of prosperity expected to prevail
in this province during the next few
years. The trail upon which he jour-
neyed west was loaded down with peo-
ple bound for the gold fields of British
Columbia. During his visit to eastern
points Mr. Dier transacted a large
amount of business in connection with
the mining properties controlled by
Dier, Davidson & Russell, finding the
people eager to invest in bona fide prop-
erties. Much interest is being tak-
ed in Fairview, and a one-half interest
in four claims situated in that prom-
ising camp was sold to eastern parties
for \$51,000 cash. The Tia Horn
Quartz Mining Company to-day signed a
contract with the Joshua Hendy Ma-
chine Company, of San Francisco, for
the purchase of a twenty-stamp mill to
be erected on the company's mine at
Fairview. The mill will be working

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Inside of two months, and has a ca-
pacity of sixty tons a day.—A party of 38 bicyclists, ladies
and gentlemen, took a run from Nana-
imo to Duncan's yesterday, their wheels
being gaily decorated. They report the
road to be in splendid condition.—The May number of Western Re-
creation will be on sale this evening. It
is even more profusely illustrated than
was the last number, and contains also
numerous articles of interest to sports-
men and others.—W. Bullock was arrested this after-
noon on upper Johnson street, charged
on information of A. Baker with as-
sault. The two men had trouble and
Baker, to judge by appearances, his
face being covered with scratches and
blood, came off second best.—Harry Eastman was drowned at Na-
naimo yesterday while out canoeing with
his eight-year-old son. The canoe cap-
sized and father and son were thrown
into the water. Eastman succeeded in
placing his son on the overturned canoe,
but was unable to keep himself afloat.
The boy was rescued but Eastman's body
was not recovered.—Collector Milne spent this afternoon
in hearing the evidence in the case of
the schooner Fischer Brothers, seized
by Officer Seeley on the West Coast.
The evidence of the captain and crew
is to the effect that they had no inten-
tion of evading the shipping regulations
but were forced to run in for shelter.
Col. Gregory is watching the case for
Mr. Seeley.—A new delivery van belonging to
Spencer's Arcade, while going up Oak
Bay avenue on Thursday afternoon,
shed a wheel, and in consequence the
driver, a man named Evans, is now ly-
ing in the Jubilee Hospital, suffering
from a broken leg. The van is a new
one, having just arrived from the mak-
ers in the east, and this was the first
time it was used. The supposition is
that a nut became unsewed, allowing
the wheel to come off. Evans is still
at the Jubilee Hospital and it was re-
ported this afternoon that he is re-
covering as rapidly as might be expect-
ed.—While on his way from Nanaimo
yesterday Provincial Constable Hutch-
inson noticed William Moyer, who is
wanted by the Nanaimo police, get on
the train at Duncan's Station. He plac-
ed him under arrest and upon his ar-
rival here handed him over to the city
police. Chief Sheppard notified the Na-
naimo police of the arrest by wire, and
they will be down to-morrow.
Moyer is wanted for defrauding the
Singer Sewing Machine Company. He
admits that he took \$50 from the com-
pany and lost it in a poker game, but
says he was on his way to the Sound
for more money from relatives to repay
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THE RESULT OF AN ATTACK OF LA GRIFFE AND PNEUMONIA.

The Strange Case of Mr. James Owen, of Johnville-Doctors Told Him His Lungs Were Affected and He Could Not Recover—Now in Good Health.

From the Sherbrooke Gazette.

When a man faces what medical authorities tell him is certain death, and regains health and strength, he is naturally grateful to the medicine that has restored him. Such a man is Mr. Jas. Owen, one of the best known farmers in the vicinity of Johnville, Que. Mr. Owen tells his story of shattered health and renewed strength as follows:—"On the 17th of December, 1894, I was attacked with la grippe. A week later the trouble developed into pneumonia in its worst form, and I did not leave my bed until the 1st of March, 1895, and then I was so weak that I was unable to walk alone. All winter my life hung in the balance. Summer came and I was still weak and feeble, though with the warm weather I gained a little strength. I had, however, but very little power in my legs, and I could not ride a mile in a buggy owing to the pain they caused me. My lungs also troubled me and I raised a great deal of matter. I then consulted the best doctor we have in this section of the province. He told me candidly that I was past medical help. He said that my left lung was in a state of collapse, and that my right lung was also affected. This was in July, 1895. For the next three months, every day seemed to draw me nearer and nearer to the end. I was so pressed for breath at times that I could not walk any distance without stopping to regain it. In the month of November I began to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. It was certainly a fortune for me and I admit I did not expect much benefit from them, but took them rather to please a friend who urged me to do so. I believe I was surprised when I found they were helping me, for I thought I was beyond the aid of medicine, but he told me they did, and I gladly continued their use. The result is they have made a well man of me. I have not a pain about me, my breath comes as freely as ever it did, and I am strong and vigorous. My case can be briefly summed up in a few words. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have given me a new lease of life and I am glad to let everybody know it. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills create new blood, build up the nerves, and thus drive disease from the system. In hundreds of cases they have cured after all other medicines had failed, thus establishing the claim that they are a marvel among the triumphs of modern medical science. The genuine Pink Pills are sold only in boxes, bearing the full trade mark. 'Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.' Protect yourself from imposition by refusing any pill that does not bear the registered trade mark around the box.



RED RIVER RISING.
Merchants at Emerson are Flooded Out of Their Stores.
Winnipeg, April 14.—The Red River rose several feet here today. The Emerson dispatch says the water is rising rapidly there and is now less than three feet from high water mark. All the merchants are selling out. Boats of all kinds and shapes are coming out of the town. The dispatch continues: "We look northward, eastward, westward and see lakes of water. We are in fact surrounded. There are no other means of exit but the railway, and the water continues to rise at the present rate, that means will be denied to us by the latter part of the week. The side-hills in the town have been wired together, and as they are floating, we can travel with difficulty around town."

BIG STRIKE COMING.
British Shipbuilders and Their Employes in Trouble.
London, April 14.—The dispute between the marine engineering employers and their employes is rapidly approaching a crisis. A conference was held at the Westminster Palace hotel today, at which an attempt was made to reconcile the dispute relating to working machines, payment of trial trips, and the appointment of local committees for the settlement of disputes. The employers rejected the proposals of the engineers in regard to working machines, and a great strike which will affect the Glasgow, Belfast, Manchester and Newcastle districts now seems inevitable.

FOURTEEN YEARS IN TERROR.
But Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Gave Relief in 30 Minutes and Threw the Patient into a State of Health.
This is what Mrs. J. Cockburn, of Warkworth, Ont., says: "For fourteen years I have been a great sufferer from heart disease; troubled very much with sharp, shooting pains constantly passing through my heart. Very often the spasms were so severe that I would become unconscious. My limbs would swell and become quite cold. For these fourteen years I doctored with the best physicians and druggists, but without success. I determined to try Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, and I had taken half a bottle I found great relief. I felt the beneficial effects inside of thirty minutes. I have taken three bottles and it has done me more good than any medicines or any physicians ever did. I can conscientiously recommend it to all sufferers from heart trouble."

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BI-METALLIC COMMISSION.

Financial Delegates From the Russian Government on the Question.

London, April 15.—The Daily Mail's Paris correspondent says he has had an interview with the financial delegate of the Russian government regarding the American bi-metallic commission. The delegate asserted positively that M. De Witt's financial policy will not be definitely accepted by Russia, which is irrevocably committed to the gold standard. He added that in his own opinion Great Britain, Austria and Germany would place insuperable difficulties in the way of the adoption of international bi-metallicism.

ASK FOR BIDS.
Russia Asks Carnegie to Tender on Armor Plates.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 15.—A dispatch from Washington announces that Carnegie & Company, of this city, have been invited by the Russian government to bid on armor plate for two first-class battleships. The Carnegie officials will not talk on the subject, neither confirming nor contradicting the report. If the contract comes here it will mean the continuance of the armor plant, which was expected to close down on June 1st. The Russian contract will be for between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

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JAPAN AND HAWAII.

Alleged Unlawful Exclusion of Japanese Immigrants.

Washington, April 13.—The Japanese legation has received telegraphic advice from official sources in relation to the recent deportation from the Hawaiian Islands of a number of Japanese immigrants, which do not entirely agree in all details with the accounts already published in this country. It appears, according to these advices, that out of 92 Japanese passengers brought to Honolulu by the steamer Shinshin-Maru, 302 voluntary passengers and 140 contract laborers were sent back to Japan. The Hawaiian authorities refused to allow these people to land on the ground that the voluntary passengers were not possessed of \$50 in gold each, as provided in the landing law, and because the contract laborers had not complied with the provisions of the landing law.

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securing previous approval of their contracts. The passengers thereupon petitioned the supreme court to set aside the decision of the collector-general of customs forbidding them to land, but the court rejected the petition on the ground that the decision of the collector-general regarding the landing of aliens was final, and that Japanese not yet landed in the islands had no right to petition.
The Japanese consul general protested against this decision, on the ground that the exclusion of the voluntary emigrants was in violation of treaty rights, whatever the Japanese residents in the islands and their alleged failure to secure previous approval of their contracts. He himself and persons he examined later facts regarding the voluntary emigrants and had found that they were all in bona fide possession of the amount of money required by law in such cases. So far as they at least were concerned, the decision of the collector-general was in violation of both of the law and of the facts. While it is true that one, but two Japanese men, of war, as stated in press dispatches, has been sent to Hawaii, officials of the Japanese legation state most positively that the Japanese government, for the purpose of menacing the Hawaiian government, but simply to preserve order among the Japanese residents in the islands, who might possibly become excited by what they regard as a violation of the rights of their countrymen.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

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Salem...	\$5.75
Leitch's Hungarian...	\$5.75
Ogilvie's Hungarian...	\$5.75
Wheat, per ton...	\$35 to \$37.50
Barley, per ton...	\$28 to \$30
Middlings, per ton...	\$20 to \$22
Bean, per ton...	\$18.00 to \$20.00
Ground feed, per ton...	\$20 to \$30
Corn, whole...	\$25 to \$28
Corn, cracked...	\$26 to \$29
Oatmeal, per 10 pounds...	45 to 50c
Rolls oats, (O. or N. W.)...	3c
Rolls oats, (B. & K.) 7th sacks...	30c
Potatoes (B. & K.)...	15c
Cabbage...	25c to 3c
Carrot, per head...	10c to 12c
Hay, baled, per ton...	15c
Straw, per bale...	75c
Onions, per lb...	4c to 5c
Bananas...	25c to 30c
Lemons (California)...	25c to 35c
Apples, Eastern, per lb...	10c to 15c
Oranges, navel, per doz...	40c to 50c
Oranges, Cal seedlings...	25c to 30c
Fish—salmon, per lb...	10c to 12c
Halibut...	10c to 15c
Flour—wheat...	35c to 40c
Smoked hams, per lb...	12c to 15c
Smoked kippers, per lb...	12c to 15c
Eggs, Island, fresh, per doz...	17c to 20c
Eggs, Manitoba...	15c
Butter, creamery, per lb...	30c
Butter, Delta creamery, per lb...	30c
Butter, fresh...	25c to 30c
Cheese, Cheddar...	15c to 20c
Hams, American, per lb...	10c to 15c
Hams, Canadian, per lb...	15c
Bacon, American, per lb...	15c to 18c
Bacon, rolled, per lb...	12c to 15c
Bacon, long clear, per lb...	10c to 12c
Bacon, Canadian, per lb...	14c to 16c
Shoulders...	12c to 15c
Lard...	12c to 15c
Meat, per pound...	9c
Meat, beef, per pound...	10c to 12c
Veal...	10c to 12c
Mutton, per pound...	10c to 12c
Mutton (whole)...	10c to 12c
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SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Principals of the City Schools Report on the Curriculum of the Schools.

Trustee McMicking Wants Something Done at Central School to Protect Pupils' Health.

A meeting of the board of school trustees was held on Tuesday evening at the office of the secretary on the corner of Fort and Broad streets. The principals of the various schools were in attendance and at the request of the board they presented the following report on the subject discussed at the last meeting of the board, namely, the tendency on the part of the teachers to prepare the pupils for examination rather than to educate them.

To the Board of School Trustees: Ladies and Gentlemen:—At your request, expressed through your legislative committee, that means be devised to check the tendency on the part of teachers to prepare pupils for examination rather than to educate, and so in this way to raise the standard of the schools in this city, we your principals recommend the following for your consideration:

Whereas with the present system of eight graded schools it is possible for a pupil to enter the high school at two years of age (unless there be two sections in each class), thereby endangering the health of the bright pupil and practically preventing the average pupil from enjoying a high school education.

And whereas some of the text books at present in use, notably the readers and the text book on agriculture, are not suitable for public schools: And whereas the idea prevails among teachers that their class room work is judged by the number of pupils promoted, an idea conveyed to them by resolution of a former trustee board: Therefore, be it resolved that it would be in the best interests of education in this city to reduce the number of grades to six, with yearly promotion examinations, and that we would respectfully advise that your board confer with the trustee boards of other cities in the province with view to securing a change in the text books at the hands of the council of public school instruction, and that your teachers be notified that their ability is not recognized wholly on the number promoted, but more largely by their real work as in the daily work of their class.

The principals, who were unanimous regarding the opinion expressed in the report, thought that should their suggestions be carried out the "cramping" system complained of would receive its death blow.

Trustee McMicking wanted to know if the mind of a child would be expanded by the study of agriculture. If so, could not the other subjects in the curriculum be worked to the same purpose.

Miss Cameron, on behalf of the principals, explained that this matter was to be brought up at the next meeting of the Provincial Teachers' Institute. Further discussion on the subject was, therefore, deferred until after the meeting of the institute.

The principals also asked for authority from the board to appoint teachers in charge of primary divisions in the various schools to assume charge of the principals' work when found necessary.

After some discussion the communication on the matter was laid on the table for future consideration. Among other matters dealt with in the same manner were a letter from Miss Cameron on the rearrangement of the departments of South Park school; a letter from Mrs. Kate Soper asking why her girl was not allowed to attend school, and an application from S. Shepherd for a position on the teaching staff.

Chairman Hayward announced that he had received a \$100 flag as a present for the central school, providing the following conditions were complied with, namely, that the flag be presented and accepted by a graduate of the school. The gift was thankfully acknowledged, the board stating that they were quite willing to comply with the conditions.

The next matter to be considered was the subject of proposed amendments to the school act now before the local legislature and after some discussion it was decided that the board wait upon the local members and urge them to oppose the amendments.

The subject of whether \$100 for seats at \$4 each was accepted, and also that of J. P. Burgess for the enclosing of South Park school on condition that the ventilating system now used there was not interfered with.

Trustee McMicking then had some resolutions he wished to place before the board; the first one was on the proposed improvements to the central school for which the loan had been asked and the trustees had said "nay." He wanted to see if something could not be done to protect the health of the children now attending that school. The resolution was left in the hands of the alterations and repairs committee, who will take action in the matter and see if anything can be done.

Trustee McMicking's second resolution was, in reference to the commemoration of Her Majesty's diamond jubilee. He advocated the establishment of a normal school in commemoration of that event.

Trustee Yates thought the resolution in view that a meeting was then being held in the city hall to discuss the question to be out of place and moved an adjournment.

Trustee McMicking's resolution was, after a short discussion, defeated and the board adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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THE FLOOD SITUATION.

Water at Omaha Flung Along at Fifteen Miles an Hour.

Omaha, April 15.—When the sun went down to-night his last light fell on a vast waste of water, whose yellow waves, tossed high by a strong breeze from the north all day, rolled over what last week were fields and gardens and dooryards. All day the torrent poured from the Missouri across Norton's gardens into Florence and Cut-off lakes. The former has lost its identity in the general flood, and the latter may soon.

To-night the water is seven feet higher than it was on Tuesday morning, and is surely cutting away the dykes that hold it back from sweeping to join the Missouri and turn the long abandoned course of that stream again into a race. At sundown the wind had died away to a great extent, but was still blowing a steady breeze. The stream running into Cut-off lake from the north has been increased in volume, but no longer had a bank to tumble over. The water in the lake has risen to the level of the water above, and the whole flood was spending itself against the first of the dykes at the foot of the lake. This is still two feet above the surface of the water, but the waves have cut it terribly during the day, and it may give way before morning.

The situation down town is unchanged. The river is rushing at a fifteen-mile gait. The Burlington has dumped several train loads of stone in the place where its tracks were undermined and a further cut is impossible. The Union Pacific has protected its track from further encroachments.

A special from Vermillion S. D., to-night reports a further rise in the river at that point. There have been no lives lost so far as is known, but the damage to farm property and live stock has been enormous.

Kansas City, April 15.—Two miles up the river the Burlington tracks are endangered, and above Kansas City, Kan., the Missouri Pacific tracks are only a little above the current. The river is also getting dangerously near the Maple Leaf trestle.

The last families on Lewis Island, a small place at the mouth of the Kansas river, have moved out. The place is entirely submerged, and the water at the lowest point almost touches the eaves of the huts.

Harlem, across the river, is in a state of excitement, as a very slight rise will bring the flood into that town. The ripping has not proved much of a success, and the banking is rapidly caving in.

Rosedale, Miss., April 15.—Mary Robinson, a young colored girl, was drowned in the flood here yesterday, making the sixth victim claimed by the flood in this vicinity within two weeks. A frail canoe in which she was trying to cross the water sank.

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THE FAMINE SITUATION.

The Report of the Viceroy, the Earl of Elgin.

Bombay, April 14.—The report of the viceroy, the Earl of Elgin, on the famine situation, just issued, shows that including the native states, 2,853,000 persons are employed on the relief works against 3,141,323 persons so employed a month ago. A report adds that the prices of grain are tending to decline, owing to the rains and the improved harvest prospects. The food stuffs are generally sufficient, and the condition of the people in the affected districts is pronounced to be from fair to good.

A Banker's Experience.

"I tried a bottle of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for a troublesome affection of the throat," writes Manager Thomas Dawson of the Standard Bank, now of 14 Melbourne avenue, Toronto. "It proved effective. I regard the remedy as simple, cheap, and exceedingly good. It has been a habit of mine to consult a physician in troubles of this nature. Hereafter, however, I intend to be my own family doctor."

NELSON'S FIRST COUNCIL.

John Houston Elected Mayor by a Majority of 95.

Nelson, April 15.—John Houston was elected mayor of Nelson to-day by 95 majority over John Turner; 619 votes were cast. The Houston ticket for aldermen was also elected by majorities ranging from 40 to 90. The aldermen elected are: A. Dow, F. Fletcher, J. A. Gifford, C. Hiltner, J. J. Malone and W. F. Teetzel.

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A CRISIS HAS ARISEN

In the Affairs of Newfoundland Over the Bait Act.

Halifax, April 15.—Quite a crisis has arisen in the affairs of Newfoundland over the Bait act, whereby French fishermen catching cod on the banks are debarred from taking herring for bait in Newfoundland waters till May 15. The French government has protested to the British colonial secretary, setting forth that the lateness in the bait supply ruins the season's operations for their fishermen.

Mr. Chamberlain has notified the Newfoundland government that a protest has been received, and points out that complications may arise, but says he is not prepared to go to the point of disallowing the measure.

Meanwhile the French are trying to evade the law and Newfoundland revenue cutters are chasing them out of Newfoundland waters. H.M.S. Pelican, Buzzard and Cordelia are en route to the scene from Bermuda to take a hand in the game. Some French warships are also hastening to the spot. The legislation is a death blow to the French industry, and will also prevent France having this source of training for men to draw sailors to man her warships. Newfoundlanders justify the bill by pointing to the fact that the French government pays a bounty on fish and that their fish have displaced the Newfoundland catch in the markets of the world.

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DISCRIMINATING AGAINST JAPS.

Hawaiian Government Burs Them From Public Works.

Honolulu, April 7.—The government has issued a law forbidding Japs from road that is unique in that it discriminates in favor of the Hawaiian, American and European laborers, as against Asiatic laborers. The conditions read: "The tender is based upon the condition that at least 50 per cent. of the unskilled laborers on this work are to consist of Hawaiians, Americans or Europeans." This is the first time that Asiatic labor has been discriminated against directly by the government, and the effect upon the laboring classes will be watched with interest. Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald, of California, is making an investigation of the labor conditions here with the view to heading off Japanese immigration to California. He will also give advice to the Hawaiian government as to the best methods of settling the labor difficulties.

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YESTERDAY'S SPORTS

Penwill Shows His Superiority in the Bicycle Races at Beacon Hill Yesterday.

Victoria and Capital Gun Clubs Hold Their First Shoot of the Season.

THE GUN.

VICTORIA CLUB SHOOT.
The Victoria Gun club held their first shoot of the season at Langford Plains yesterday, about twenty members shooting for the club trophy and prizes presented by Messrs. Short & Sons and the club. The shoot for the club trophy at 30 angles, 15 known and 15 unknown angles, was won by C. W. Minor with a score of 20. Messrs. W. Bickford and Fred Macdonald each scored 25. Then came the club shooting in three divisions for the Short prize and \$10 divided. In the first class R. Jackson and W. Bickford tied for first place with 21 out of 25 at unknown angles. In the shoot-off Jackson won with 14 out of 15. W. H. Adams took second and Minor and John Lee tied for third. Minor won in the shoot-off. E. J. Wall won the first prize in the second class with 19. B. Short was second with 16 and C. Porter third with 14. J. Trace won first in the third class, and was followed by H. O'Brien and J. Morrison.

VISITORS FROM THE SOUND.

The following visitors arrived from the Sound yesterday to take part in the spring meeting of the Victoria Golf Club, which opened at Oak Bay this afternoon and will be continued on Monday. Messrs. I. W. Anderson, Alex. Baillie, J. S. Baker, A. J. Bremner, W. V. Burnell, E. E. Ellis (Seattle), T. W. Enos, J. Gillison, Jr. (Seattle), H. S. Griggs, C. B. Hurley, L. B. Lockwood, Morton Ramsdell, W. A. Sternberg, Chester Thorne, C. E. Warren, Mrs. I. W. Anderson, Mrs. Alex. Baillie, Mrs. J. S. Baker, Mrs. W. V. Burnell, Mrs. P. H. Case, Mrs. Forsythe, Mrs. Griggs, Mrs. C. B. Hurley, Mrs. Kershaw, Mrs. C. H. Marble, Mrs. S. Medlicott, Mrs. Stuart Rice, Mrs. Chester Thorne.

THE ROO.

SOME GOOD SPORT.
Up to the present the bait fishermen have this season had things pretty much their own way, but the last week's warm weather has brightened the prospects of those who do not enjoy the sport except with the fly. A number of fish, the first of the season, were taken at Shawanigan lake yesterday, the March brown being the favorite. In the rivers the water is still too muddy for the fly and the same is the case at the mouths of the streams. At the lakes, however, the fish are beginning to rise well.

THE WHEEL.

RATHER TAME.
The bicycle races at Beacon Hill yesterday were rather tame affairs, Penwill having it all his own way in both the two mile and ten mile events. His opponents in the two mile race were E. A. Wall and D. C. Labiste. Wall, however, was not in the race, Penwill, who the latter started for home, but he was not equal to it. The others were entirely outclassed. Penwill finished in 5:40.2.5. In the ten mile event the entries were Penwill, Humber and Labiste. They finished in the order named, Penwill's time being 29:03.2.5.

THE GUN.

CAPITAL GUN SHOOT.
The members of the Capital Gun Club held their first shoot at the head of Victoria Arm yesterday afternoon. The principal shoot of the day was for the club trophy at 30 birds, unknown angles. Messrs. Lenfesty and H. Cartwright tied with 18 birds each, and in the shoot-off Cartwright won with four out of five. During the afternoon sweepstakes shooting was indulged in.

YACHTING.

PURCHASED THE XORA.
A syndicate of the Victoria Yacht Club has purchased the Seattle yacht Xora from Commodore Hensell. The purchase price is private. The Xora's dimensions are: 40 feet over all, 34 feet on the water line and 13 feet beam. She is 10.18 tons and sails in "A" class. Commodore Hensell arrived here Thursday with the yacht, but at that time had no intention of selling her.

FOOTBALL.

At Dunsmuir yesterday the Cowichan team defeated the Victoria College Association team by 3 goals to 1. Each scored a goal in the first half, and in the second half the Cowichans increased their score by two. The visitors were hospitably entertained.

WRESTLING.

At Vancouver yesterday the Victoria Hockey Club was defeated by two goals to nil.

EASTER SERVICES

Special Services Will Be Held in the Different City Churches To-Morrow.

The Churches Are Tastefully Decorated—Easter Song Services by the Choirs.

At St. James church the services will be: At 8 a.m., Holy communion; at 11 a.m., morning prayer and sermon; at 12 noon, Holy communion; and at 7 p.m., evening prayer and sermon. Rev. J. H. S. Sweet will preach. The musical services as arranged are: At 11 a.m., Ely confession; festival responses; anthem, "Christ our Passover"; Te Deum, H. Kotzschmar; Jubilante, Goodson; anthem, "Christ the Lord is Risen"; Dudley Buck; Amen, Stainer; Kyrie, W. T. Best; Gloria, do; Sanctus, do; Gloria in Excelsis, do; Nunc Dimittis, with the psalms as set. The musical services for the evening will be: Ely Confession; festival responses; Magnificat, Dr. J. Clarke Whitfield; Nunc Dimittis, do; anthem, "Christ the Lord is Risen"; Dudley Buck; Amen, Stainer, and the psalms as set.

At St. Barnabas church the following services will be held to-morrow: 7 a.m. and 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist; at 10:30 a.m., Matins, choral; and at 11 a.m., Holy Eucharist, choral, when the following: Kyrie, Dykes in F; Gloria Tibi, Dykes in E; Gratias, Dykes in F; Credo, Dykes in F; Sursum Corda, Caleb Simper in E flat; Sanctus, Caleb Simper in E flat; Agnus Dei, Caleb Simper in E flat; Gloria in Excelsis, Caleb Simper in E flat. At 3 children's service will be held, and at 7 p.m. evening with procession. The music for the evening is: Tallis' festival responses, special Psalm to Anglican chants, Magnificat, fifth tone; Nunc Dimittis, Tonus Regius, anthem, "Awake Thou That Sleepest," Caleb Simper; offertory, "All Things Come From Thee, O Lord."

The services arranged for to-morrow at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral are: Morning—Celebrant, Rev. Father Althoff; deacon, Rev. Father Nicolay; sub-deacon, Rev. Father Letourneau. Kyrie—"Messe Solennelle," E. Marzo; Gloria—"Messe Solennelle," E. Marzo; sermon, Rev. Father Althoff; Credo, E. Marzo; offertory—"Ave Verum," H. Millard; Mrs. Agnes Gonnelli; Sanctus, Marso; Benedictus—soprano, bass and chorus—Soprano, Miss McNiffe; Agnus Dei—duet and chorus—Marzo, Miss K. Burns and Mrs. Wilkes and choir. Evening—7 p.m.—Compline, Bishop; antiphons; sermon, Rev. Father Althoff; choral, chorus, Waverly; Ave Verum—bass solo and chorus—Wigand, E. Grizelle; Ave Maria—soprano solo—Gonnelli, Miss McNiffe; Tantum Ergo—chorus, Rossini; Laudate Dominum, Mrs. Lombard, organist, and Mr. C. A. Lombard, conductor.

Consecration church, Temperance Hall, Pandora avenue, Rev. P. C. L. Harris, pastor—Special Easter services morning and evening, 11 a.m., sermon, text, Luke 24, 46, 47. The canon, "Let the Merry Church Bells Ring," will be sung at this service. Sunday school and Bible class meet at 2:30 p.m. 7 p.m. Easter song service, at which the carols, "God Hath Sent His Angels," and "Christ the Lord is Risen Today," will be sung. The pastor will sing the beautiful gospel solo, "Christ is All." Y.P.S.C.E. meets at the close of the evening service.

At the Reformed Episcopal church Dr. Wilson will have charge of the services, Bishop Cridge being absent at New Westminster. The musical services are: At the morning service—Hymn, "O, Sons and daughters, let us sing"; Te Deum, Sullivan; Benedictus, Dykes; Easter hymn; anthem, "The Lord is my strength"; Amen, Stainer. The text of Dr. Wilson's sermons are: Morning, Jesus lives and so shall I; evening, "The Groaning of Creation."

Calvary Baptist church, Rev. T. A. P. Frost, acting pastor—Morning, at 11 a.m., subject, "Love in the resurrection story." Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p.m. Evening, 7 p.m., subject, "Trunked from the burning." The ordinance of believers' baptism will be administered in the evening.

Emmanuel Baptist church—Pastor Rev. P. H. McEwen will preach in morning subject, "Resurrection," evening subject, "The great culmination." Special evangelistic meetings will be held for one week only, beginning Monday evening. Rev. T. A. P. Frost will assist the pastor and preach at each meeting.

James Bay Methodist church—The pastor, Rev. T. J. McCrossan, will conduct both services.

Easter services in the different city churches will be of that special character which has always marked similar services in Victoria churches in past years. Lent has been almost universally observed among the church-goers, and to-morrow's services will fittingly usher in the day of rejoicing. The churches have been tastefully decorated, choirs have been specially drilled, and the pastors have sermons filled with moral lessons for these flocks and descriptive of that event of which Easter is the anniversary.

At Christ Church Cathedral the choir will render the following programme of Easter music: Mr. J. K. Middleton, the choir-master, leading. At the morning service: Psalm, as set, "Te Deum," Woodward; anthem, "Christ Our Passover," Goss; "Kreil," Mendelssohn; Offertory, Barnby. At the evening service: Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Edmund Turner; anthem, "When It Began to Dawn," Miles E. Foster. The following volunteers will be given by the organist, Mr. Pauline, at the beginning and close of both services: In the morning, chorus, "Hallelujah," Handel; chorus, "Ave Maria," Veech; solo, in the evening: Chorus, "Hallelujah," Handel.

Sarsaparilla Sense.

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processional march, "Silver Trumpets," Vivian; Fantasia in C, Brethold Tours.

Metropolitan Methodist church—Concluding sermon by the pastor on the "Fruit of Peace," sermon adapted for Easter in the morning. The evening subject will be appropriate for the occasion. Special music both morning and evening, with several choice selections by the choir at the close of the evening sermon, as follows: Anthem, "He is risen," Clare, by the choir; solo, "The Star of Bethlehem," Mr. Rowlands; chorus, "God hath appointed a choir," by the choir; solo, "The Better Land," Mrs. Rowlands; chorus, "O, God, when Thou answerest," the choir; quartette, "God is a Spirit," Mesdames McGraw and Rowlands, Messrs. Parfett and Rowlands; chorus, "Gloria," by the choir; Doozology.

The musical services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will be as follows: Morning—First chorale in D, Alex. Guilman; Anthem—"Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem," Sainrey; anthem—"As It Began to Dawn," Dr. Vincent. Evening—Organ solo—"Pilgrim's Song of Hope," Rastiste; anthem—"Thou Art My God," Caleb Simper; soprano solo, "Resurrection Morn," Rodney; anthem, "Choirs of New Jerusalem," Spiny; recessional march, Lefebvre Welby. Rev. W. L. Clay will preach at both services.

Theological Society—28 Broad St. (Williams Block)—Public lecture at 8:15 p.m. Subject—"Practical Theology and Its Relation to Daily Life."

LADIES' AID.

Work of the Ladies' Society of Victoria West Presbyterian Church.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, held their first meeting for another year's work on Wednesday afternoon. There was a good attendance of members. The president, Mrs. Thomas Adams, for the past year, declined reelection, and was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. Mrs. A. C. Muir, Esquimalt, was elected president for the ensuing year, and Mrs. MacLachlan re-elected secretary.

It was decided to hold a garden party and sale of work at the manse on the 24th of May.

There was read a communication from the secretary of the board of managers informing the society that at a recent meeting of the board Mrs. MacLachlan had placed in their hands the sum of \$225, which she had collected during her recent visit to the east from personal friends in Dundas, Hamilton, Toronto, London, Chatham, Frazar, Stratford, Bullock's Corners, West Flamboro, Norval, Brampton, Maxwellville and Montreal, to be applied towards the reduction of the debt on the church building, expressing also the board's appreciation of Mrs. MacLachlan's services and the contribution's liberality, and also asking the Ladies' Aid Society for a grant from their funds of \$10 in order to enable the board to pay an installment of \$300 on the debt. The communication was received with great satisfaction and the request of the board cordially entered.

The society enters upon its eighth year with every prospect of proving for this year, as it has done in the past, an indispensable and invaluable aid in carrying on the work of the church.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Kingston from the Sound—Aldon Iron Works, E. B. Marvin, J. Schi, Cook & Dunlop, J. H. Roddy & Son, H. E. Lee, W. H. Brown, A. N. Wilson, W. J. Jones, A. B. A. Jones, Geo. V. Fraser, A. B. Stewart, Esquimalt & Co., P. T. Miller, J. F. Murray.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Kingston from the Sound—T. B. Williams, P. O'Farrell, E. Skeeth, Miss King, M. Duncan, Mrs. Robertson, G. Mac, M. W. Smith, A. F. Bates, John Heman and wife, J. T. Davis, E. B. Carr, and sister, E. H. Miller, A. H. Brooks, E. H. Hughes, E. H. Fisher and wife, Mrs. Rott, W. T. Oulman, W. Marshall, Miss Margie, Frank Brudd, A. Tindal, Miss Morris, S. G. Bolan, W. W. Robertson and wife, N. Shakespeare, R. Wilkins.

DIED.

CHAMBERS—At Roseland, B. C., on the 16th inst., James Ralph, second son of the late George M. Chambers, a native of this city, aged 25 years. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Sunday), at 4 p.m. from the residence of Mr. Courtney, No. 108 Cook street. Friends will please accept this intimation.

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The Fairview mining district is that lying in the valley of the Okanagan about 28 miles south of Okanagan lake. It is reached from the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway by a branch line called the Okanagan & Shuswap, connecting at Sicamous Junction, and running to the head of Okanagan Lake, thence by steamer to the former line for a distance of sixty miles down the lake to Penticton, which is at the southern extremity. The wagon road from this point takes one through directly to the town of Fairview, 28 miles distant. This wagon road is a trunk route through Osoyoos to the United States boundary line, and from it other points are reached, such as the now well known camps of McKinney, Greenwood, Midway and Boundary Falls.

Fairview is ranked as being among the list of well known localities, as apart from the encouraging field for mining speculation the country also offers inducements to settlers from an agricultural point of view.

Extract from B. C. Mining Record, February, 1897.

"It will be seen that the year 1897 opens most auspiciously for Fairview. At no time in the history of the camp was the outlook so promising as at present. Nearly all the original and most valuable locations are either gold or loaded to respectable mining companies, development work is being carried on extensively, about 200 men at present employed on the various claims, and the probability of railway communication being secured with the coast in the near future all tend to the conclusion that the time is not far distant when Fairview will have attracted a world-wide reputation for its mineral richness."

The sale of lots, in this the registered town of Fairview, will begin on Wednesday, March 31st.

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SHIPPING.

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Tacoma, April 14.—First Officer Smith, of the Tacoma, has lately secured a patent on a new device for registering the speed of a vessel. It is in effect a marine cyclometer, and consists of a shaft through the hull of the ship, to which is attached a miniature screw. This is geared to an indicator on the bridge which registers before the officer in charge the speed of the vessel as each mile is told off.

The schooner Fortuna, recently purchased by a southern firm to be used in trading along the Mexican coast, left for the south this afternoon in command of Capt. Green, who came here to close the deal.

The Northern Pacific steamer Tacoma did not call at Victoria on her way from the Sound to the Orient, she having received a full cargo at Tacoma.

FORT MACAULAY ATTACKED.

The Fifth Regiment Invest the Fortifications.

About 100 members of the Fifth Regiment spent Good Friday at the Macaulay Point fortifications. They marched through the city to the music of the regimental band and on arrival at the point spent one hour in infantry drill for Nos. 2 and 3, while No. 1 Co. took charge of the battery of field guns. Lunch was served at 10 o'clock. After recess the men were marched into the fort. Under the supervision of the R. M. A. instructors, they went through the work of loading the guns and laying on moving targets. The rapid firing Maxim guns were brought into action and several detachments spent some time in firing with them at floating targets. The men were lined up outside the fort and during the remainder of the afternoon they practiced attacks on the fort. Before leaving the grounds Lieut.-Col. Rawstone and Lieut.-Col. Peters addressed the men, congratulating them on the military enthusiasm which induced them to sacrifice a holiday for the purpose of making themselves more proficient in their duties as soldiers.

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FOR THE NORTH

On FRIDAY, APRIL 2nd, 1897, Mrs. W. Bickford, Somerset House, NOS. 61 and 63 FORT ST.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, during the next session, for an Act to incorporate the British Pacific Railway Company, with power to construct a railway from Victoria, British Columbia, to Winnipeg, Manitoba, via Battle Lake, Carlton Place and Prince Albert, with a branch line to a convenient port on Hudson's Bay, and a branch down the valleys of the "Cane" Columbia and Kootenay rivers to the 49th parallel of latitude, with power to purchase, lease, amalgamate or make running arrangements with existing lines or companies on the line or the proposed railway, or connecting therewith. Montreal, 11th January, 1897.

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Notice.

Dr. A. A. Brinkner's Dental Practice, Douglas Street, will be closed at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon during the summer months.